

**Listing of and Amendment of Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of Claims in the application:

Claim 1. (currently amended) A bottle container holder for attachment to the waistband or belt of the user for holding a beverage bottle, comprising:

    a clip portion having a pair of spaced-apart legs that define a slot for receiving therein the waistband or belt;

    a pair of arcuate ribs attached to the clip portion and extending outwardly therefrom and defining an opening for receiving the beverage bottle;

    each rib having a first distal end and the first distal ends being spaced from each other by ~~an outer splice opening a first gap~~ so that the ribs can be displaced for inserting the beverage bottle through the opening; and;

each rib having a second distal end and the first distal ends being spaced from each other by a second gap so that the ribs can be displaced for inserting a plurality of protrusion mounted to the interior walls of the ribs for facilitating the securement of the beverage bottle to the ribs through the opening.

Claim 2. (currently amended) A beverage bottle holder for attachment to the [[waste]] waist band or belt of the user for holding a beverage bottle, comprising:

    a clip portion having a pair of spaced-apart legs that define a slot for receiving therein the [[waste]] waist band or belt;

    a pair of bridging portions attached to the clip portion and extending outwardly therefrom;

    a pair of arcuate ribs attached to the bridging portions and extending outwardly therefrom an interior arcuate portion that interconnects the ribs and defines an opening through which the beverage bottle is inserted for securement to the ribs; [[and]]

    each rib having a distal end and the distal ends being spaced from each other by an ~~exterior~~ splice opening a first gap so that the ribs can be displaced for inserting the beverage bottle through the opening; and,

the interior arcuate portion includes two half arcuate portions with each half arcuate portion attached to a respective rib and extending inwardly therefor toward each other and terminating adjacent a second gap so that the half arcuate portions can be displaced for inserting the beverage bottle through the opening.

Claim 3 (original)    The beverage bottle holder of claim 2 wherein the ribs include an exterior wall for accommodating indicia and designs, and an opposite interior wall.

Claim 4 (original)    The beverage bottle holder of claim 3 further comprising a plurality of protrusions mounted to the interior walls of the ribs and the interior arcuate portion for facilitating the securement of the beverage bottle therein.

Claim 5 (currently amended) The beverage bottle holder of claim 2 where in each leg includes an outer wall and an opposite inner all with the inner walls of both legs contacting the [[waste]] waist band or belt of the user.

Claim 6 (cancelled)

Claim 7 (original) The beverage bottle holder of claim 4 wherein the protrusions are longitudinal and semi-circular or rectangular in shape.

Claim 8 (original) The beverage bottle holder of claim 4 wherein the protrusion are non-longitudinal ellipsoids spaced about the interior perimeter of the opening.

Claim 9 (original) The beverage bottle holder of claim 2 wherein protrusion are longitudinal and of a semi-cylindrical or rectangular shape.

Claim 10 (original) The beverage bottle holder of claim 2 wherein the holder is of intergral, one-piece construction and formed of engineered resins.

Claim 11 (withdrawn) A beverage bottle holder for attachment to the waist band or belt of the user for holding a beverage bottle, comprising:

    a clip portion having a pair of spaced-legs that define a slot for receiving therein the waste band or belt;

    a bridging portion;

    a pair of arcuate ribs attached to the bridging portion and extending outwardly therefrom;

    an interior arcuate portion that interconnects the ribs, whereby the ribs and arcuate portion thereby define an opening to which the beverage bottle is inserted for securement;

    each rib having a distal end and the distal ends being spaced from each other by an outer splice opening so that the ribs can be displaced for inserting the beverage bottle through the opening;

    a plurality of protrusions mounted to the interior walls of the ribs and the interior arcuate portion for facilitating the securement of the beverage bottle to the ribs; and;

    pivotal attachment means securing the clip portion and the bridging portion and allowing the device to be pivoted between a raised, or used, position and a lower, or non-use position.

Claim 12 (withdrawn) The beverage bottle holder of claim 11 wherein the protrusions are non-longitudinal ellipsoid shaped and spaced about the interior periphery of the ribs and interior arcuate portion.

Claim 13 (withdrawn) The beverage bottle holder of claim 11 wherein the device is made of resilient engineered plastic resins.

Claim 14 (withdrawn) The beverage bottle holder of claim 11 wherein the interior arcuate portion includes two half arcuate poritons with each half arcuate portion attached to each respective rib and extending inwardly therefrom.